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<u>Introduction</u>

In this reply brief, no attempt is made to set forth a response to each of respondent's contentions. Many of respondent's points are fully covered by Appellant's Opening Brief, and the issues thus joined. Only points requiring additional comment will be addressed.

prosecution throughout the sentencing proceeding as a whole, but that his counsel failed to do so at specific points." (*Id.*, at p. 697.)

In the present case, the public defender completely failed to do anything to advocate for appellant at his sentencing hearing (RT 84). Therefore, defense counsel's lack of representation of appellant at the sentencing hearing went beyond omissions at only "specific points" as contemplated in *Bell.* (*Id.*)

Also, respondent overstates the minuscule effort expended by defenant's lawyer. The advocacy that respondent attributes to defense counsel all involves pre-trial motions (RB 7-9); not the trial and sentencing hearing where the prosecution's case should have been subjected to "meaningful adversarial testing." (*Bell v. Cone, supra*, 535 U.S. at p. 697; *U.S. v. Cronic, supra*, 466 U.S. at p. 656; *Anders v. California* (1967) 386 U.S. 738, 743.)

Other than doing nothing during sentencing, at trial, defense counsel did not give an opening statement (RT 46), did not cross-examine any witnesses, (RT 52, 61, 66, 72), presented no evidence on appellant's behalf (RT 73) and did not give a closing argument (RT 75).

Defense counsel's complete failure to advocate for appellant

during trial and sentencing constitutes denial of counsel. No specific showing of prejudice is required for this Court to reverse the judgment. (United States v. Cronic, supra, 466 U.S. at p. 659.)

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